

Borough of Rocky Hill
Planning Board
Minutes of the Reorganization/Regular Meeting
January 8th, 2013

The Reorganization/Regular Meeting of the Planning Board was called to order by Planning Board Recording Secretary Christine Witt at 7:35 pm.

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Christine Witt read the following statement into the record: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting was included in a list of meetings transmitted to the Courier News and Somerset Spectator on January 23, 2011. Notice remains continuously posted as required under the Statute. A copy of this notice is available to the public and is on file in the Borough Hall.

OATH OF OFFICE

Attorney Jolanta Maziarz administered oaths to the following board members:

Michael Goldman, term expires 12/31/16, Class IV
Tim Corlis, term expires 12/31/16, Class IV
Connie Hallman, term expires 12/31/13, Class III
Mark Blasch, term expires 12/31/13, Class II
Ed Zimmerman, term expires 12/31/13, Class I
Eric Hintz, term expires 12/31/14 Alternate #1
Linda Goldman, term expires 12/31/13, Mayor's Alternate

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

Motion was set forth by Blasch to nominate Raymond Whitlock as Chairman of the Board. Motion was seconded by Hallman. Hearing no other nominations roll call vote was taken. For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, L. Goldman, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Nolan, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: None

**Meeting was turned over to Chairman Whitlock*

Motion was set forth by Whitlock to nominate Michael Goldman as Vice Chairman of the Board. Motion was seconded by Hallman. Hearing no other nominations roll call vote was taken.

For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Nolan, Whitlock, Zimmerman

Against: None

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Abstain: M. Goldman

Motion was set forth by Blasch to nominate Brian Nolan as Board Secretary. Motion was seconded by Hallman. Hearing no other nominations roll call vote was taken.

For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, L. Goldman, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: Nolan

Chair Whitlock appointed Christine Witt Recording Secretary.

Mayor Zimmerman moved to confirm Brian Nolan, Michael Goldman, Mark Blasch, and Raymond Whitlock for the Historic Preservation Subcommittee. Corlis seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Nolan, Whitlock, Zimmerman

Against: None

Abstain: Nolan, M. Goldman

ROLL CALL

Present: Robert Ayrey, Mark Blasch, Tim Corlis, Martin Engelbrecht, Linda Goldman, Michael Goldman, Connie Hallman, Eric Hintz, Brian Nolan, Mayor Ed Zimmerman, Raymond Whitlock

Absent: Cathy Cann

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes December 11, 2012 - Motion made by L. Goldman to approve the minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Hallman. Motion carried on voice vote.

REORGANIZATION RESOLUTIONS

RHPB-2013-01 Meeting Schedule

L. Goldman moved to approve the resolution. Blasch seconded the motion, and motion carried on voice vote.

RHPB-2013-02 Designation of Official Newspaper

Blasch moved to approve the resolution. Ayrey seconded the motion, and motion carried on voice vote.

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RHPB-2013-03 Appointment of Board Attorney

L. Goldman moved to approve the resolution. Nolan seconded the motion, and motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, L. Goldman, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Nolan, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: None

RHPB-2013-04 Appointment of Board Engineer

L. Goldman moved to approve the resolution. Nolan seconded the motion, and motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, L. Goldman, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Nolan, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: None

RHPB-2013-05 Appointment of Board Planner

M. Goldman moved to approve the resolution. Blasch seconded the motion, and motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Ayrey, Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, L. Goldman, M. Goldman, Hallman, Hintz, Nolan, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: None

Resolution RHPB 2012-10, Giambra 97 Washington St., Block 7 Lot 3, Application for Class C Variance

L. Goldman moved to approve the resolution. Hallman seconded the motion, and motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Corlis, Engelbrecht, L. Goldman, M. Goldman, Hallman, Nolan, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: Ayrey, Blasch, Hintz

APPLICATIONS

None

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to the public, no one commented, public comment period immediately closed.

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chair Whitlock thanked Jolanta Maziarz for joining as the new Planning Board attorney. The Chair asked Board members to review the draft revisions to the Historic District Ordinance prepared by Michael Goldman.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Invoice from Mason Griffin Pierson for work on Historic District Ordinance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion of possible amendments to Historic District Ordinance.

Michael Goldman explained that he suggested revisions to make the ordinance easier for residents to understand what matters need to be heard by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

None

FINAL OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Martin Engelbrecht thanked Michael and Linda Goldman for their work on the Historic District Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

Nolan moved to adjourn at 8:07 PM. Motion seconded by Hallman. Motion carried on voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted:

Christine Witt
Recording Secretary